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# *National Parks of India*

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# NATIONAL PARK - INTRODUCTION

- ❖ Protected natural habitats-established by central and state governments-according to the [regulations from the IUCN](#) (International Union for Conservation of Nature)
- ❖ Provide protection to the [entire ecosystem](#), i.e. flora, fauna, landscape, etc. of that region.
- ❖ National parks are given a [greater degree of protection](#), with [human activity greatly restricted](#) - only certain areas can be visited



# NATIONAL PARK - DEFINITION

According to the Indian Ministry of Environment & Forests, a national park is

*"[a]n area, whether within a sanctuary or not, [that] can be notified by the state government to be constituted as a National Park, by reason of its ecological, faunal, floral, geomorphological, or zoological association or importance, needed to for the purpose of protecting & propagating or developing wildlife therein or its environment."*

**No human activity** is permitted inside the national park **except** for the ones **permitted by the Chief Wildlife Warden** of the state under the conditions given in **CHAPTER IV, WPA 1972**".

# IMPORTANT FACTS ON NATIONAL PARKS

- ❖ **First National Park in India:**
  - Hailey National Park - Established in 1936
  - Now known as Jim Corbett National Park (Uttarakhand)
- ❖ **Largest in India:**
  - Hemis National Park (Ladakh) - 4400 sq. km.
  - Also National Park located in high altitude
- ❖ **Smallest in India:**
  - South Button Island National Park (Andaman and Nicobar Islands) – 0.03 sq. km.
- ❖ **States with largest number of National Parks:**
  - Madhya Pradesh – 11 (latest addition - Kuno National Park)

# IMPORTANT FACTS ON NATIONAL PARKS

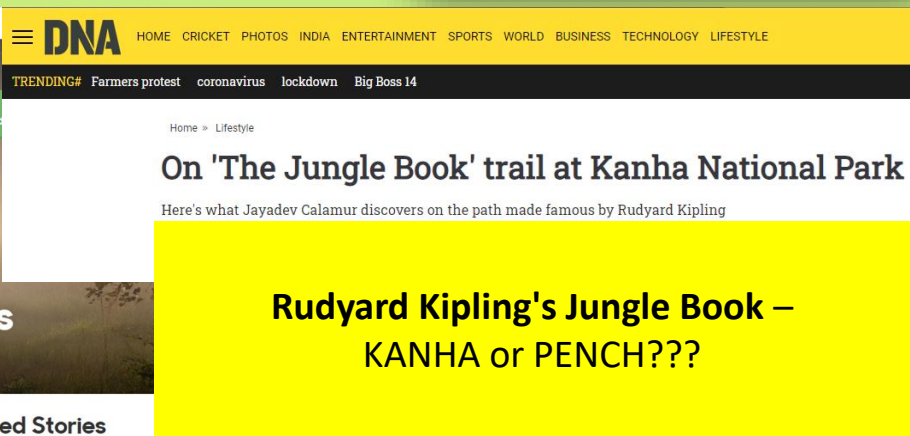
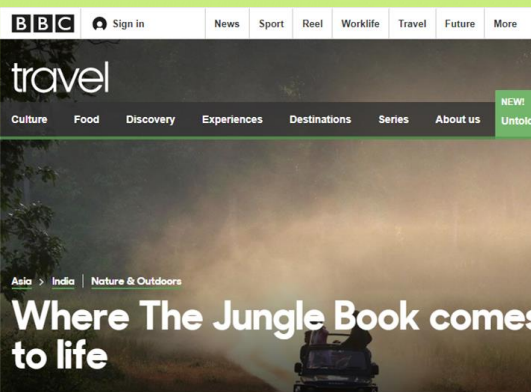
## ❖ First Marine National Park in India:

- Marine National Park (Gulf of Kutch, Gujarat)
- Around 6 Marine National Parks in India



## ❖ Floating National Park in the world –

Keibul Lamjao National Park, Manipur  
(Loktak lake)



**Rudyard Kipling's Jungle Book –  
KANHA or PENCH???**

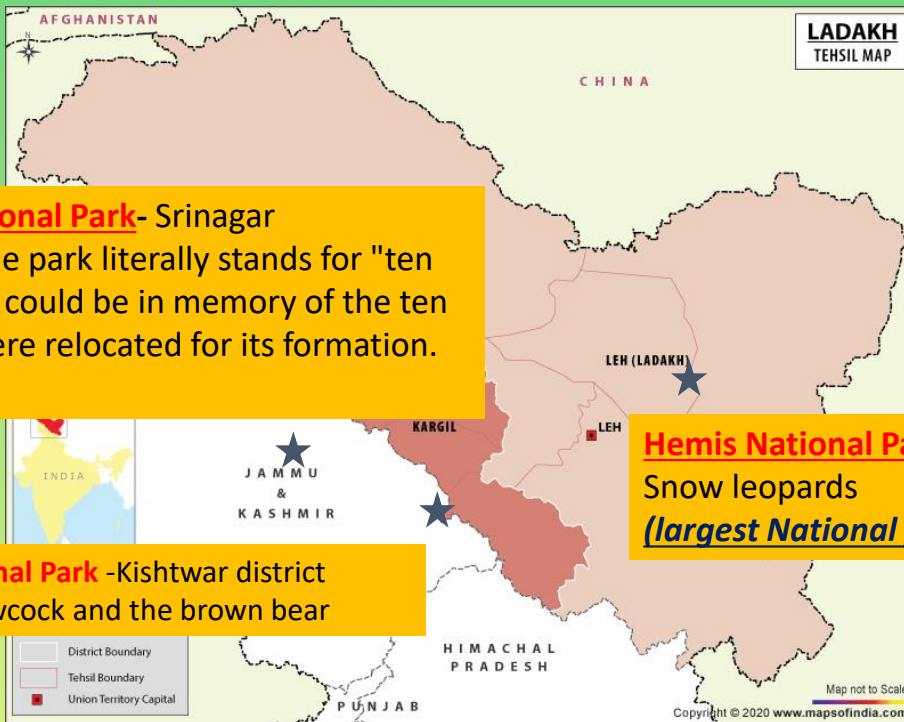


## J&K and Ladakh



National Park (J&K)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
City Forest (Salim Ali) National Park	9
Dachigam National Park	141
Kishtwar National Park	425
National Park (Ladakh)	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
Hemis National Park	3350





**Dachigam National Park**- Srinagar  
The name of the park literally stands for "ten villages" which could be in memory of the ten villages that were relocated for its formation.

**Kishtwar National Park** -Kishtwar district  
Himalayan snowcock and the brown bear

**Hemis National Park** - Ladakh  
Snow leopards  
*(largest National park)*

# Uttarakhand



In June 2014, the **Great Himalayan National Park** was added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites

National Park of Himachal Pradesh	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Great Himalayan National Park	754.5
Pin Valley National Park	675
Inderkilla National Park	104
Khirganga National Park	710
Simbalbara National Park	27.88

# Uttarakhand



Name of NP	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
Valley of Flowers National Park	87.50
Rajaji National Park	820
Nanda Devi National Park	630.33
Jim Corbett National Park	1318.5
Govind Pashu Vihar National Park	79.45
Galathea National Park	110



## UTTARAKHAND DISTRICT MAP

### Valley of Flowers

North Chamoli and Pithoragarh declared a national park in 1982 and now it is a World Heritage Site

### Jim Corbett National Park:

**1936- Hailey National Park , 1<sup>st</sup> of India**

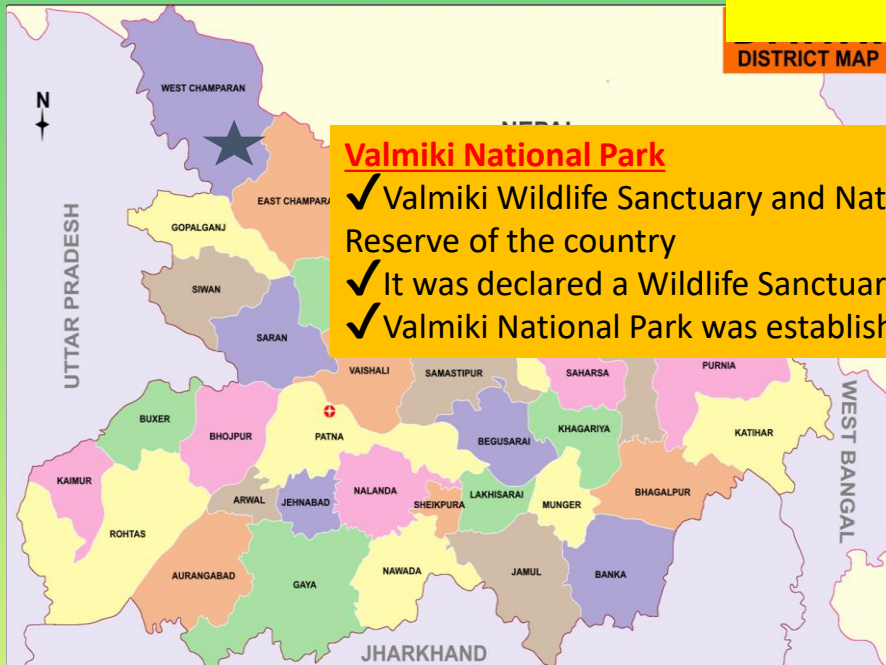
- ✓ Bengal Tiger
- ✓ The reserve was renamed in 1954–55 as *Ramganga National Park* and was again renamed in 1955–56 as *Corbett National Park*,
- ✓ one of the thirteen protected areas covered by the World Wide Fund For Nature under their Terai Arc Landscape Program
- ✓ The park was the first to come under the Project Tiger initiative

## Uttar Pradesh



- ✓ The **Dudhwa National Park** -
- ✓ It is part of the Dudhwa Tiger Reserve
- ✓ Tigers, Indian rhinoceros, Leopards

## Bihar



### Valmiki National Park

- ✓ Valmiki Wildlife Sanctuary and National Park is the 18th Tiger Reserve of the country
- ✓ It was declared a Wildlife Sanctuary in 1978.
- ✓ Valmiki National Park was established in the year 1990.

## Jharkhand



### Betla National Park

It was declared as a National Park in the year of 1986.  
In the year of 1973, it was declared a wildlife sanctuary. The area was set up as the Palamau Tiger Reserve in the year of 1974.





**The Sundarbans National Park** is a national park, tiger reserve, and biosphere reserve Designated as a Ramsar site since 2019 World Network of Biosphere Reserve (Man and Biosphere Reserve) from 1989



## West Bengal

Name of National Park	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Buxa National Park	117.10
Gorumara National Park	79.45
Neora Valley National Park	159.89
Singalila National Park	78.60
Sunderban National Park	1330.10
Jaldapara National Park	215.51

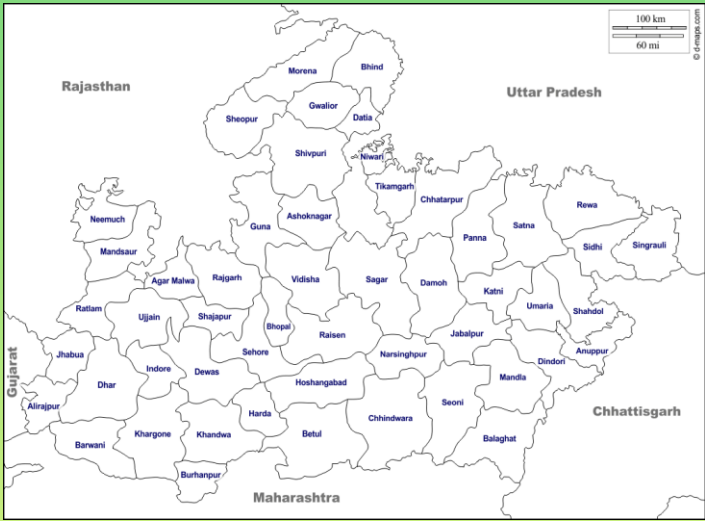
## Odisha



Name of National Park	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
<u>Bhitarkanika National Park</u>	145
<u>Simlipal National Park</u>	845.7



# Madhya Pradesh



Name	Area
Kanha National Park	940 km <sup>2</sup>
Bandhavgarh National Park	437 km <sup>2</sup>
Madhav National Park	354 km <sup>2</sup>
Sanjay National Park	467 km <sup>2</sup>
Van Vihar National Park	4.45 km <sup>2</sup>
Panna National Park	543 km <sup>2</sup>
Satpura National Park	524 km <sup>2</sup>
Pench National Park	293 km <sup>2</sup>
Fossils National Park	0.27 km <sup>2</sup>
Dinosaur fossil park	108 km <sup>2</sup>
Kuno National Park	748 km <sup>2</sup>



## MADHYA PRADESH DISTRICT MAP

**Panna National Park**

- Panna and Chhatarpur districts
- *Award of Excellence* in 2007 as the best maintained national park of India by the Ministry of Tourism of India
- It is a UNESCO Designated Biosphere Reserve status of which was given in October 2020
- highest density of tiger population in India

**Bandhavgarh National Park**  
Also Tiger reserve  
White Tiger , leopard

**Kanha Tiger Reserve/ Kanha–Kisli National Park**  
Largest (940 sq. km) in MP  
Tiger, Leopard, sloth bear



## Chhatisgarh

National Park	Total Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
Indravati (Kutru) National Park	1,258.37
Kanger Valley National Park	200
Guru Ghasi Das (Sanjay) National Park	1,440.71

## Rajasthan



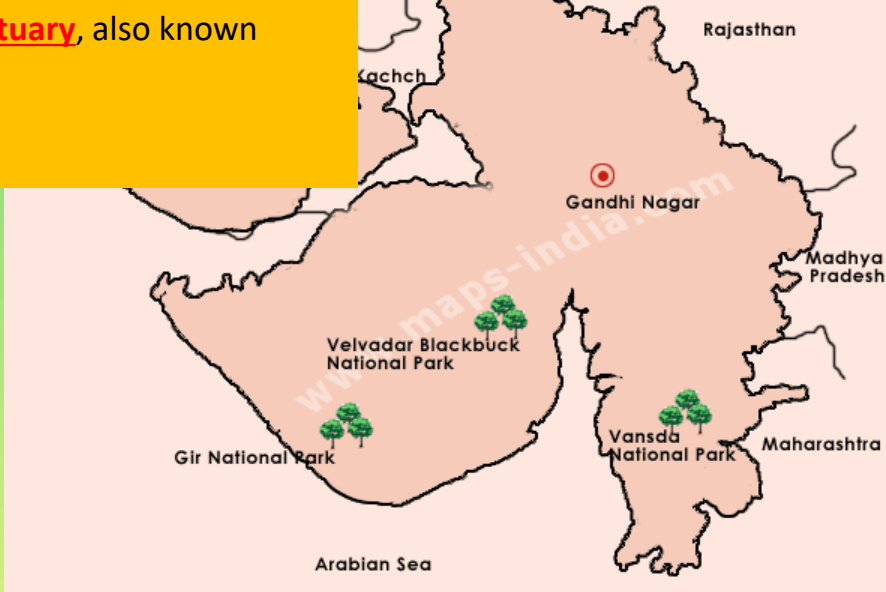
National Parks	Area (Km <sup>2</sup> )
Mukundra Hills (Darrah) National Park	200.54
Desert National Park	3162
Keoladeo National Park	28.73
Ranthambhore National Park	282
Sariska National Park	273.8

# Gujarat

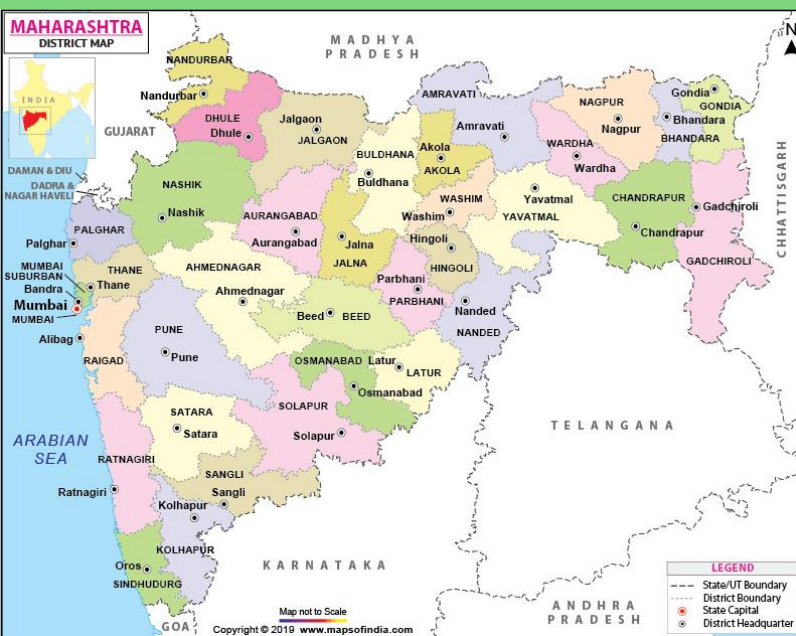


**Gir National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary**, also known as **Sasan Gir**

- ✓ It was established in 1965
- ✓ Asiatic Lion



# Maharashtra



Name of National Park	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Chandoli National Park	317.67
Gugamal National Park	361.28
Nawegaon National Park	133.88
Sanjay Gandhi (Borivilli) National Park	86.96
Tadoba National Park	116.55

# Andhra Pradesh



National Park	Total Area (In km <sup>2</sup> )
Sri Venkateswara National Park	353.62
Rajiv Gandhi National Park	2.40
Papikonda National Park	1012.86

# Karnataka

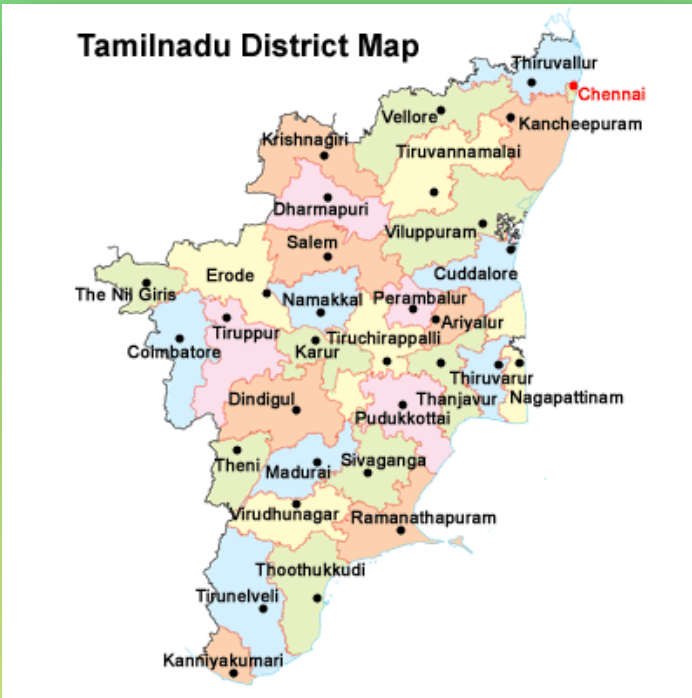


National Park	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Anshi National Park	417.37
Bandipur National Park	874.2
Bannerghatta National Park	260.51
Kudremukh National Park	600.32
Rajiv Gandhi (Nagarahole) National Park	643.39



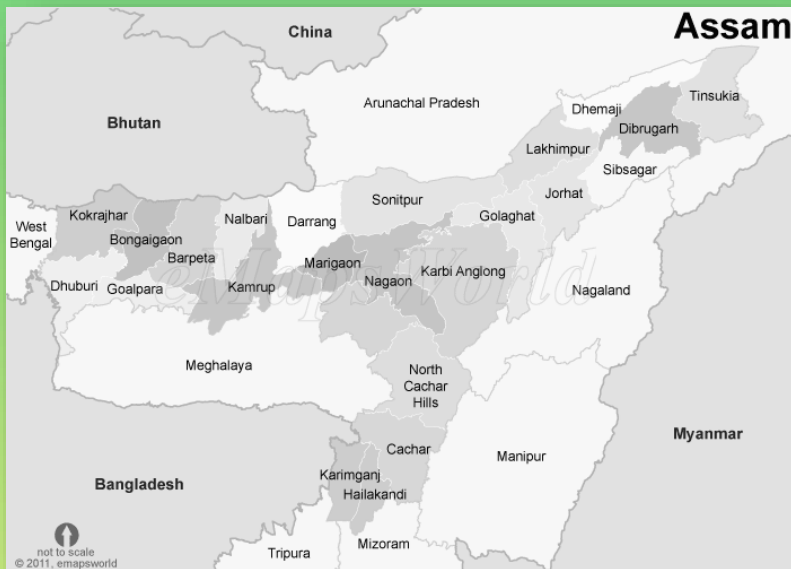


**Tamil Nadu**



National Park	Total Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Guindy National Park	2.82
Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park	6.23
Indira Gandhi (Annamalai) National Park	117.1
Mudumalai National Park	103.23
Mukurthi National Park	78.46

### Assam

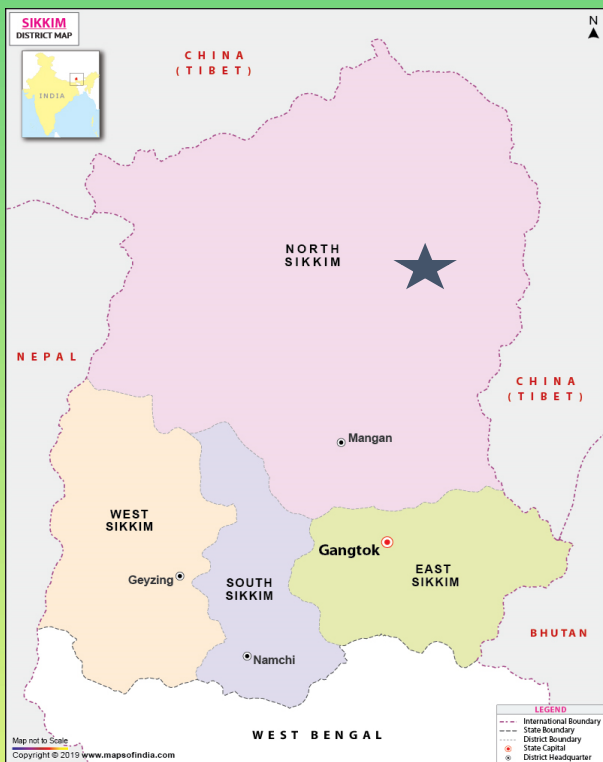


Name of NP	Area (km <sup>2</sup> )
Dibru-Saikhowa National Park	340
Kaziranga National Park	858.98
Manas National Park	500
Nameri National Park	200
Rajiv Gandhi Orang National Park	78.81
Dehing Patkai National Park	234.26
Raimona National Park	422



Manas National Park  
UNESCO World Heritage Site, Tiger Reserve,  
Elephant Reserve, Biosphere Reserve, and also  
a Wildlife Sanctuary  
**Wild Buffalo**

Kaziranga National Park  
**One-horned rhinoceros**, elephant, wild  
buffalo, wild boar, tiger, leopard  
Two-thirds of the world's great one-horned  
rhinoceroses, is a World Heritage Site



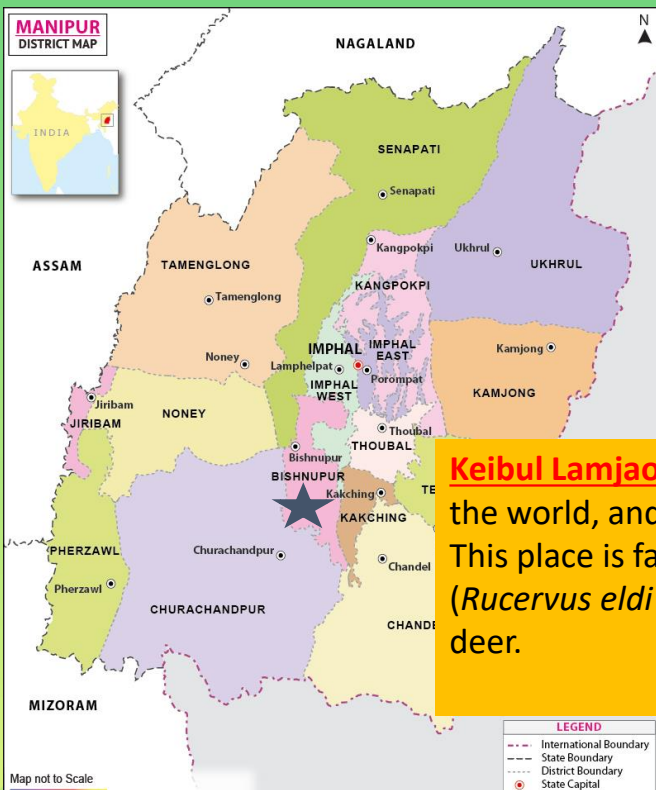
## Sikkim

Khangchendzonga National  
Park also Kanchenjunga Biosphere Reserve

The UNESCO World Heritage Sites list in July 2016, becoming the first "Mixed Heritage" site of India.

It was recently included in the UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Programme.

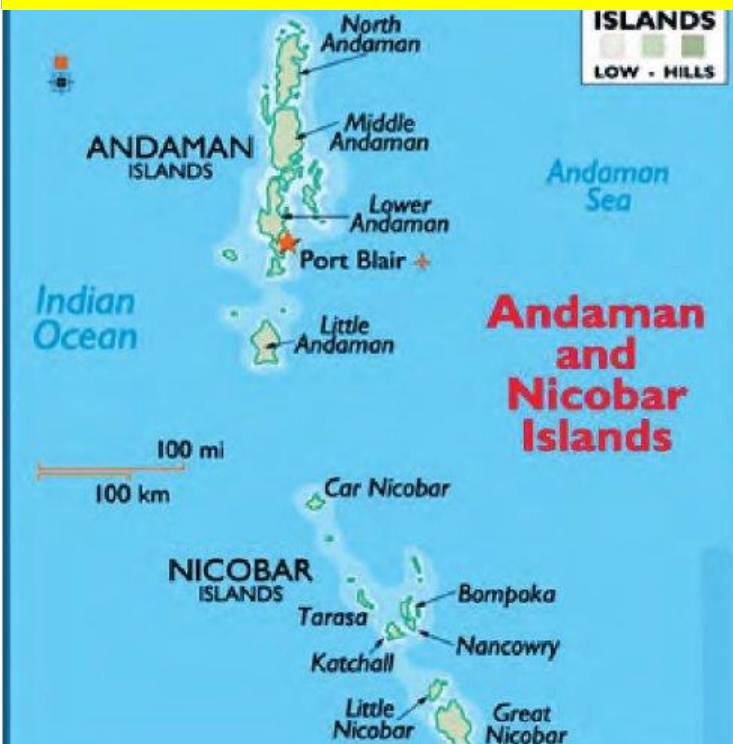
The park gets its name from the mountain , the third-highest peak in the world.



## Manipur

**Keibul Lamjao National Park** - The only floating park in the world, and an integral part of Loktak Lake. This place is famous for Manipur brow-antlered deer (*Rucervus eldi eldi*) also popularly known as the Sangai deer.

## Andaman & Nicobar Islands



National Park	Area(km <sup>2</sup> )
Campbell Bay National Park	426.23
Galathea Bay National Park	110
Mahatma Gandhi Marine (Wandoor) National Park	281.5
Middle Button Island National Park	0.44
Mount Harriett National Park	46.62
North Button Island National Park	0.44
Rani Jhansi Marine National Park	256.14
Saddle Peak National Park	32.54
South Button Island National Park	0.03



NATIONAL PARKS	STATE
Namdapha National Park	Arunachal Pradesh
Ntangki/Intanki National Park	Nagaland
Murlen National Park	Mizoram
Phawngpui National Park	Mizoram
Kalesar National Park	Haryana
Sultanpur National Park	Haryana

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